## SENATE BILL 2798

By Akbari

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4 and Title 71, relative to assistance programs.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 1, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

Subject to appropriation by the general assembly, by January 1, 2021, the department shall double the standard amount of cash assistance awarded, as of that date, to recipients who qualify for childcare assistance from programs administered by the department. The increase in cash assistance provided by this section, over the standard amount determined as of January 1, 2021, must have no restrictions in terms of how the recipients may spend it.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring

it.